



CEOS LPV, Phenology

LPS, Milan 2019

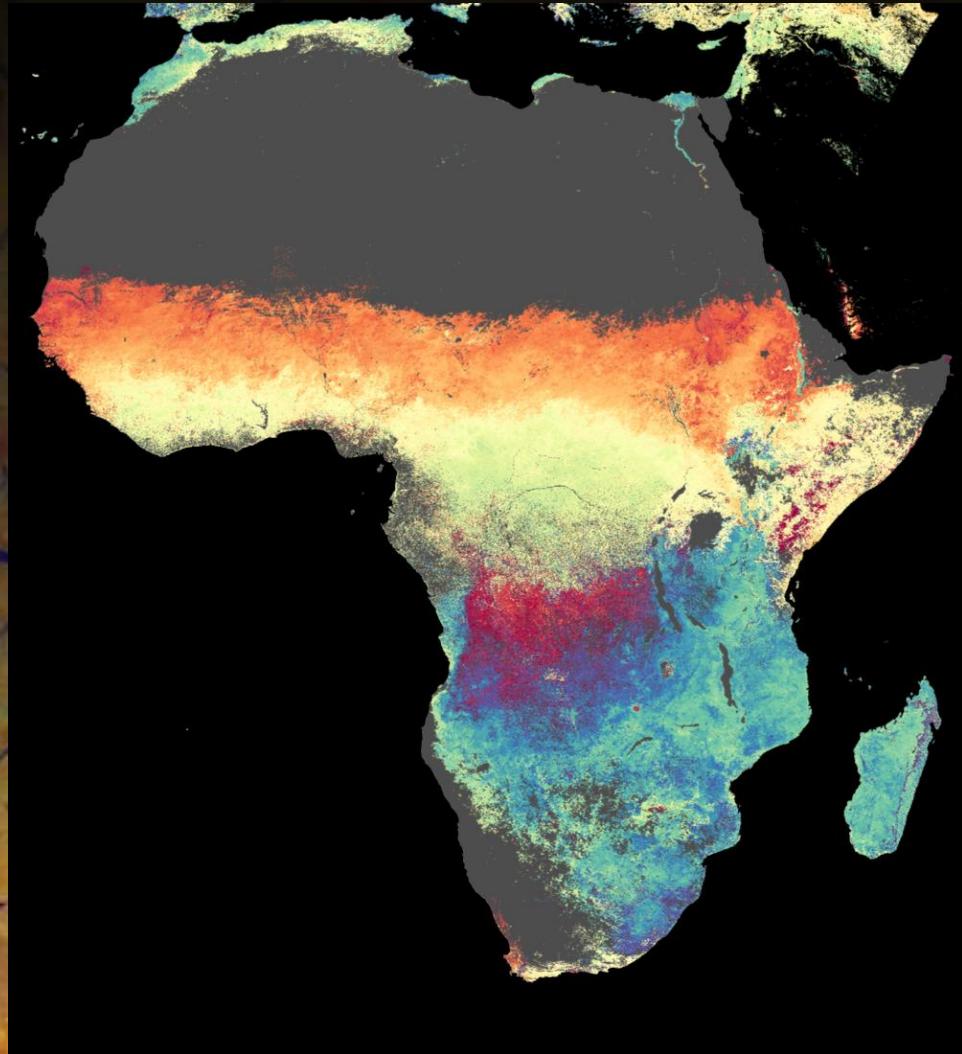
Josh Gray & Jadu Dash

Summary of Past Activities

- Coordinate between satellite and ground measurement groups to ensure quality of LSP and fit for purpose (100 members, equal representation from both)
- Organize workshop and provide a forum for the two community to interact (2 workshops)
- Promote satellite product validation (Newsletter)

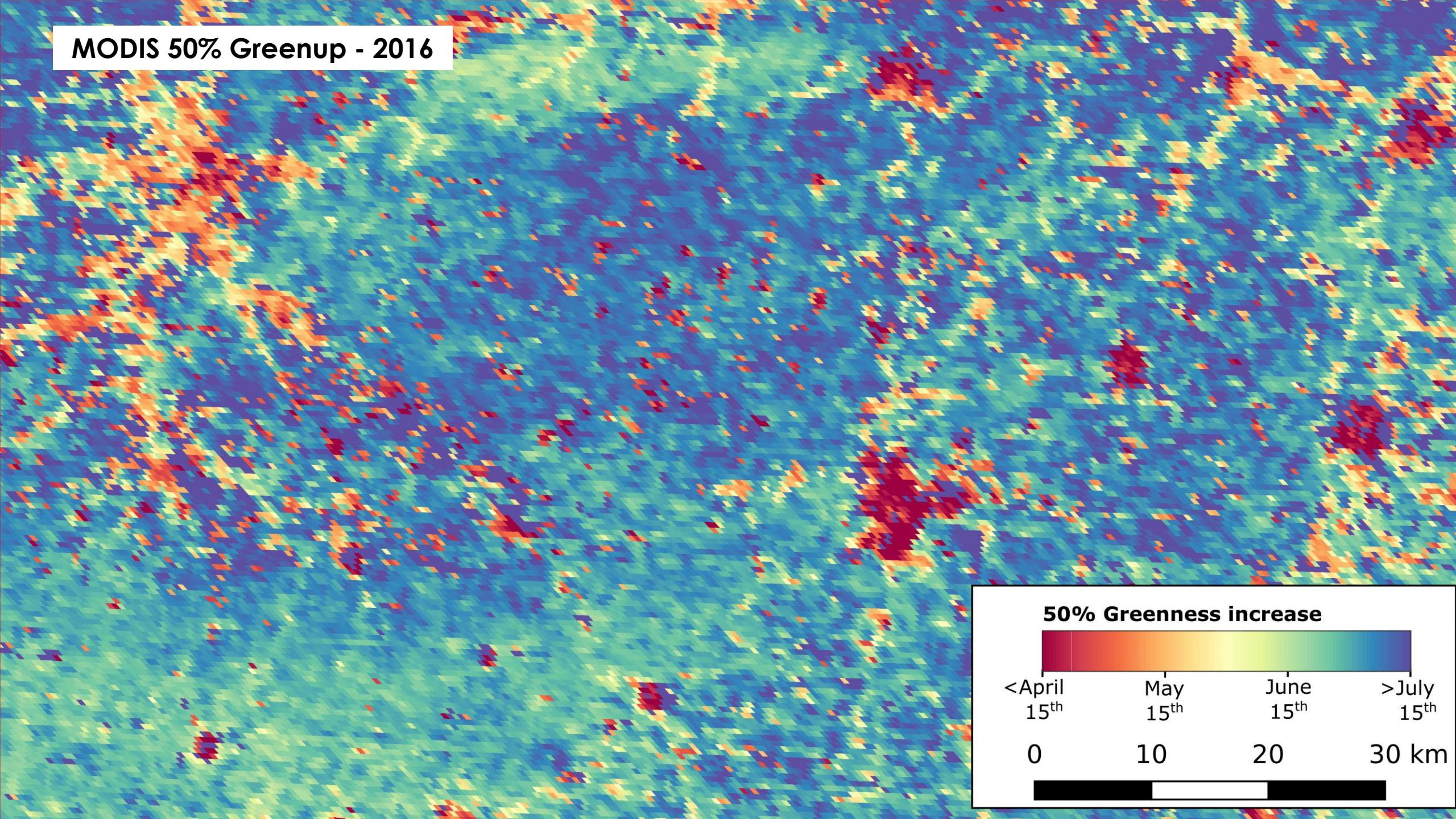


Current LSP Products

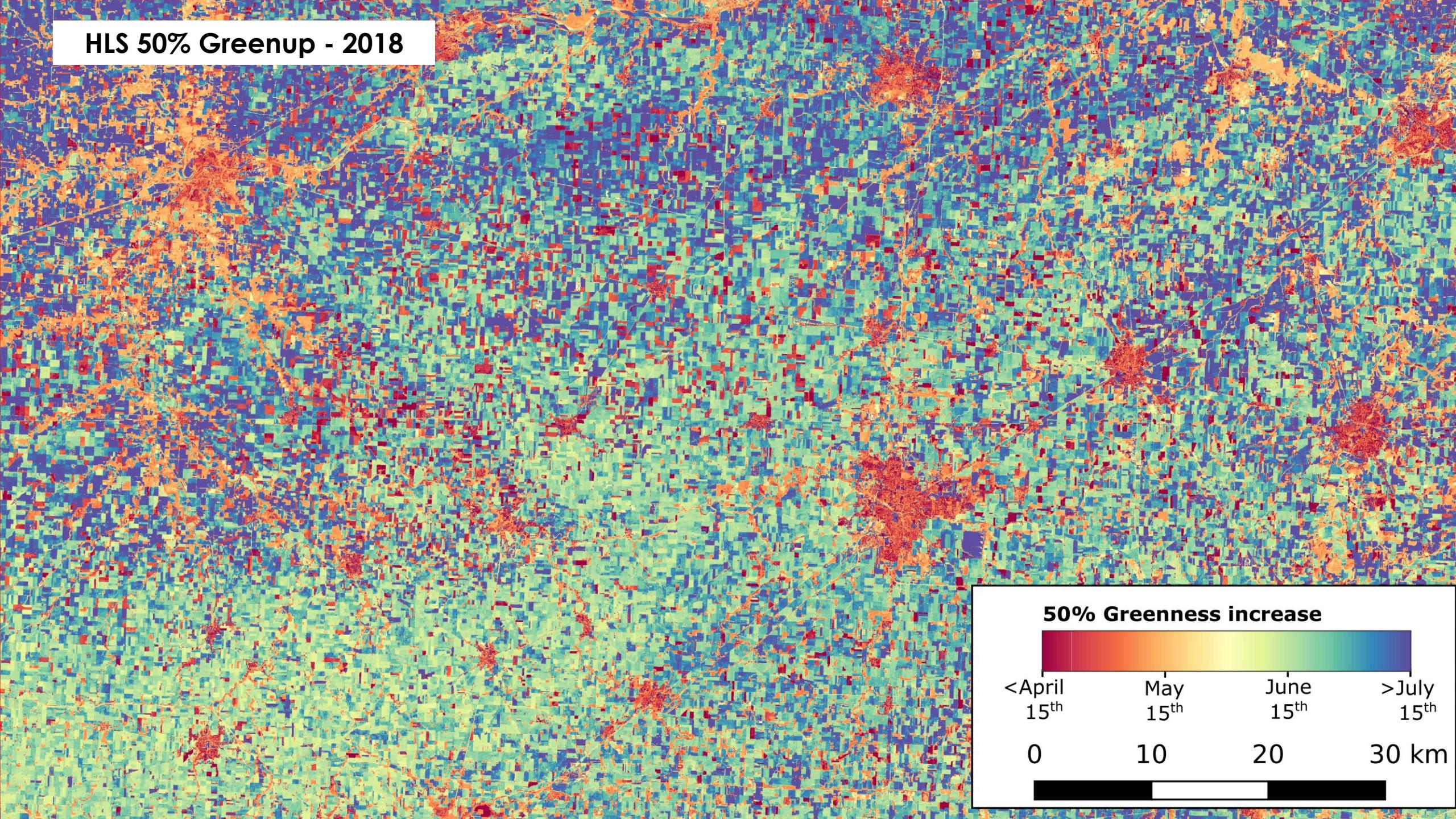


- **MODIS:**
 - [MCD12Q2 v6](#)
 - [AUSCOVER](#) (Australia only)
 - [eMODIS](#) (CONUS only)
- **VIIRS:**
 - [Land Surface Phenology](#)
- **MODIS/AVHRR:**
 - [VIP](#)
- **Landsat/Sentinel-2:**
 - HLS-LSP (forthcoming; NA only)

MODIS 50% Greenup - 2016



HLS 50% Greenup - 2018

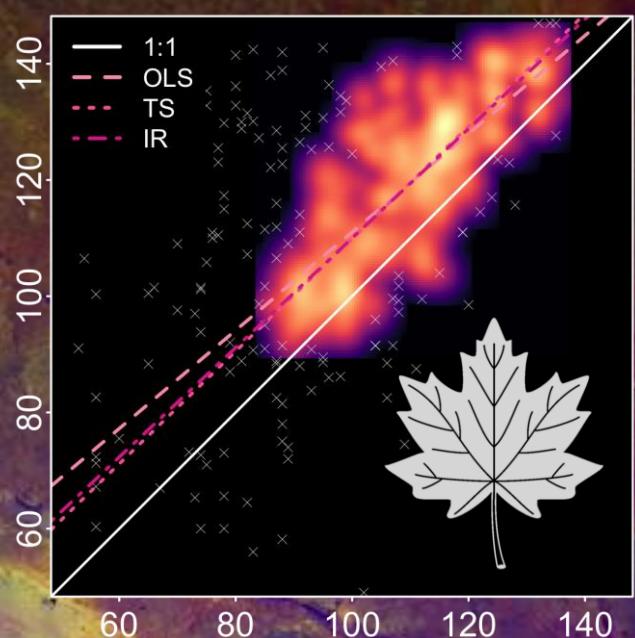
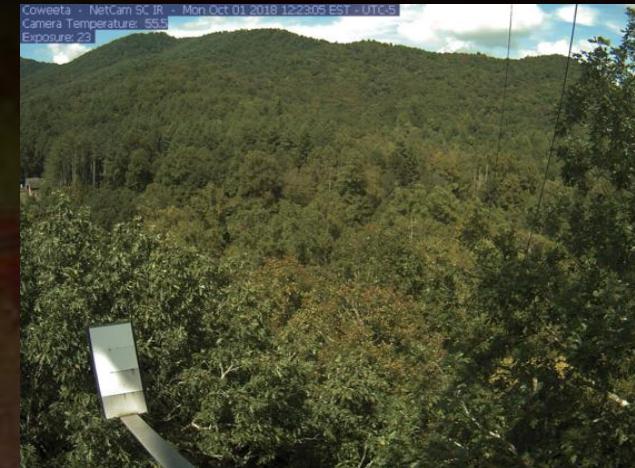


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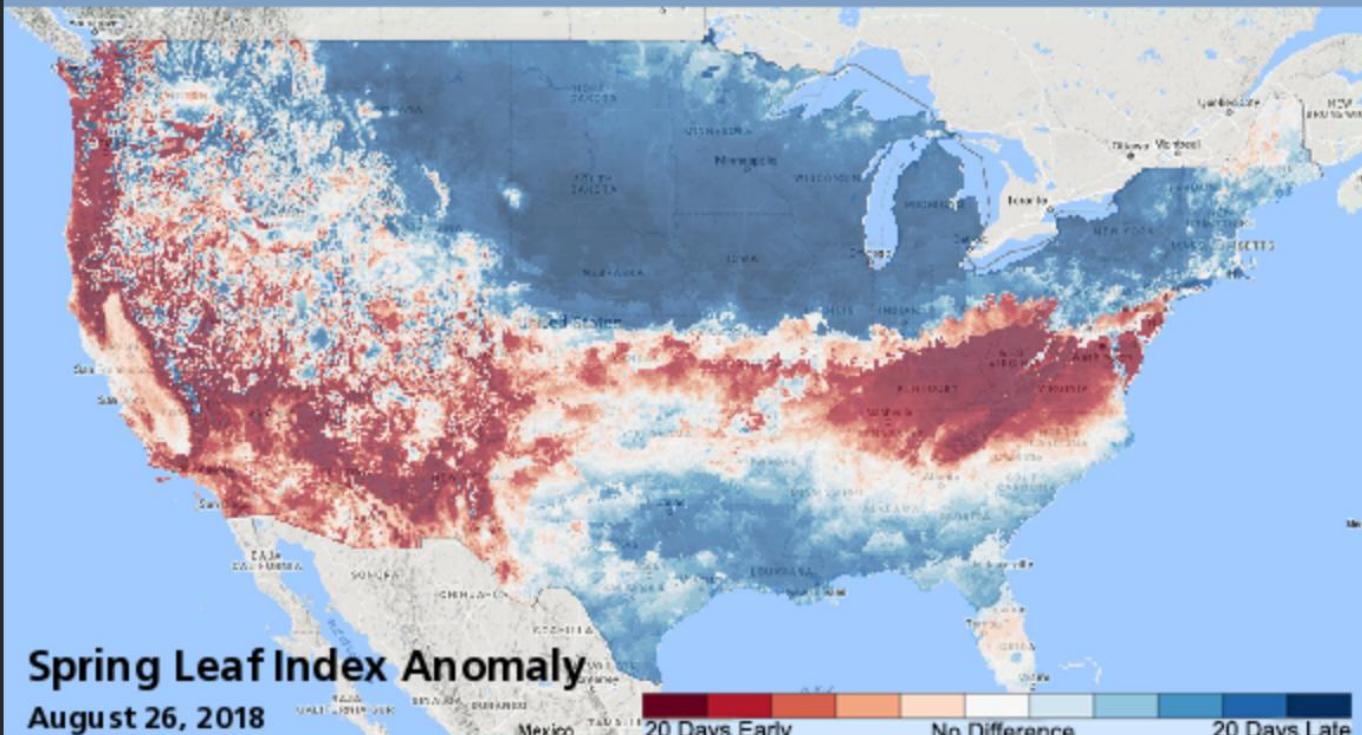
Independent Datasets

- PhenoCam
- Japanese PhenoEyes
- Citizen Science Obs.
 - US-NPN
 - PEP725
- NEON
- Lund SPECNET/NORDSPEC
- Disparate site-specific (e.g. John O'Keefe, Aimee Bailey)





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Spring Leaf Index Anomaly

August 26, 2018

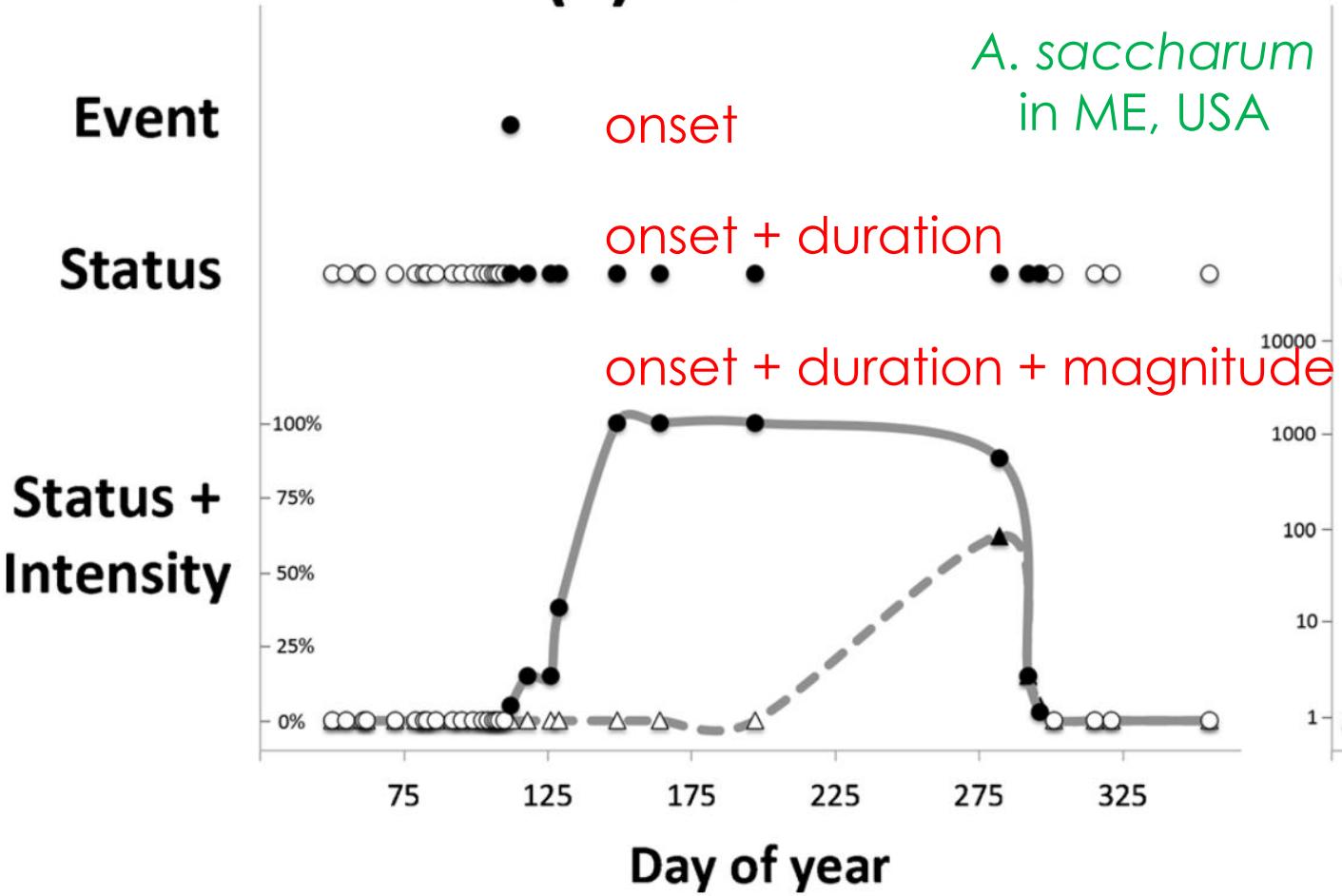
20 Days Early No Difference 20 Days Late

Status of Spring

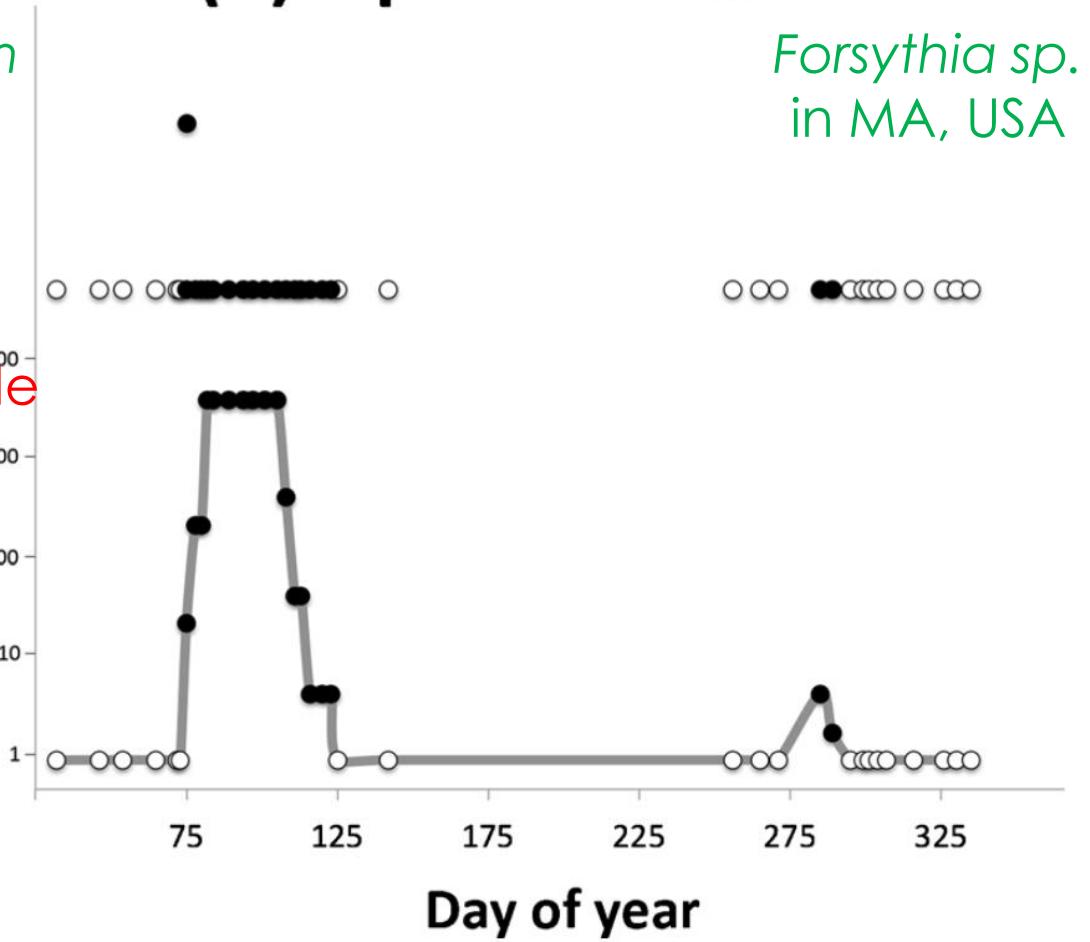
This year, spring leaf-out was 1-3 weeks late in the SE, northern Great Plains, MW, and NE and 1-3 weeks early across the central Great Plains and mid-Atlantic. The west is a patchwork of early and late arrival.

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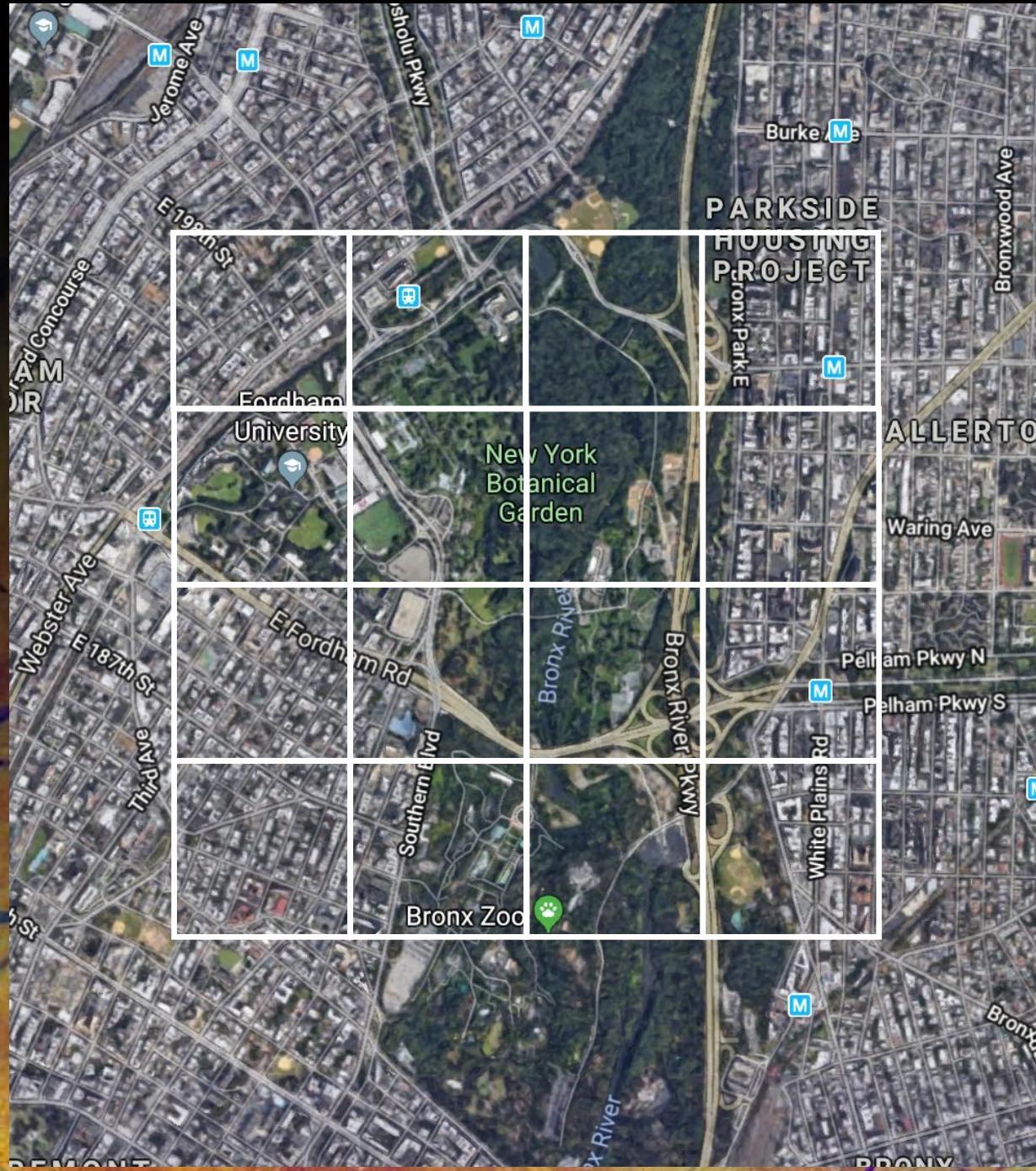
(a) Leaves



(b) Open flowers



From Denny et al. 2014, Int J Biometeorol





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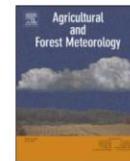


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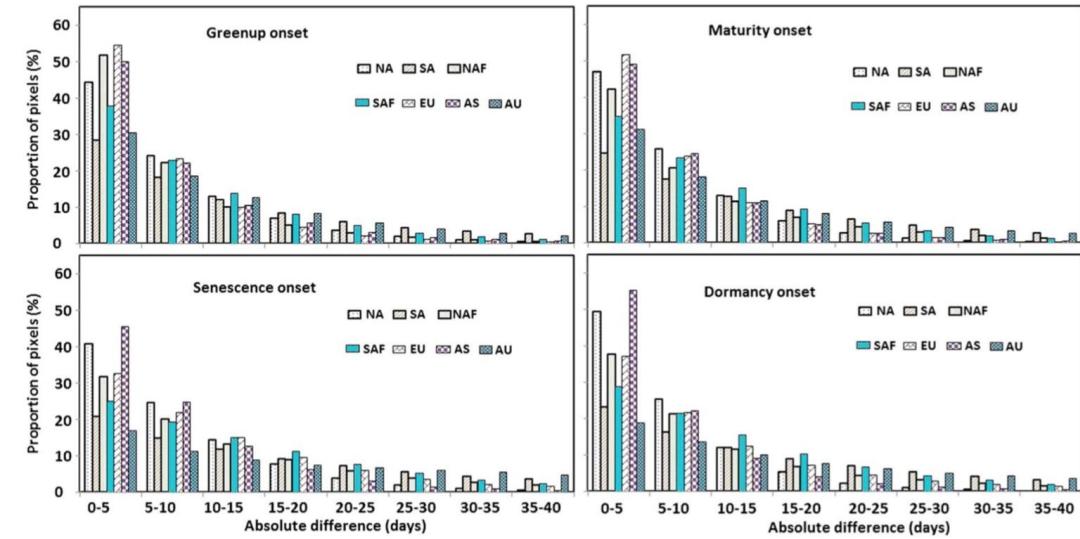
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Evaluation of land surface phenology from VIIRS data using time series of PhenoCam imagery

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Zhang, et al 2017



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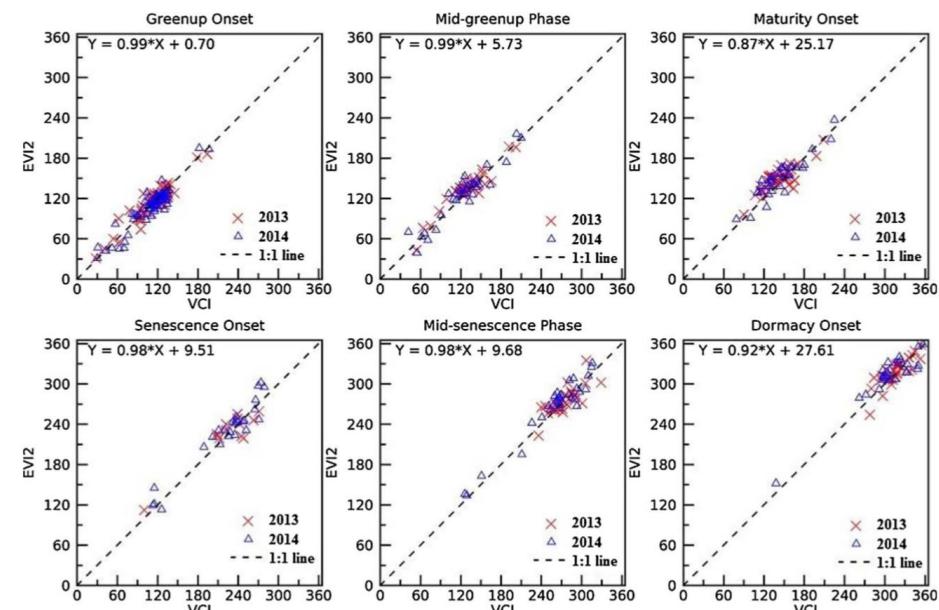


Fig. 6. Comparison of phenology transition dates (DOY) between PhenoCam VCI and VIIRS EVI2 estimates in 2013 and 2014.

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

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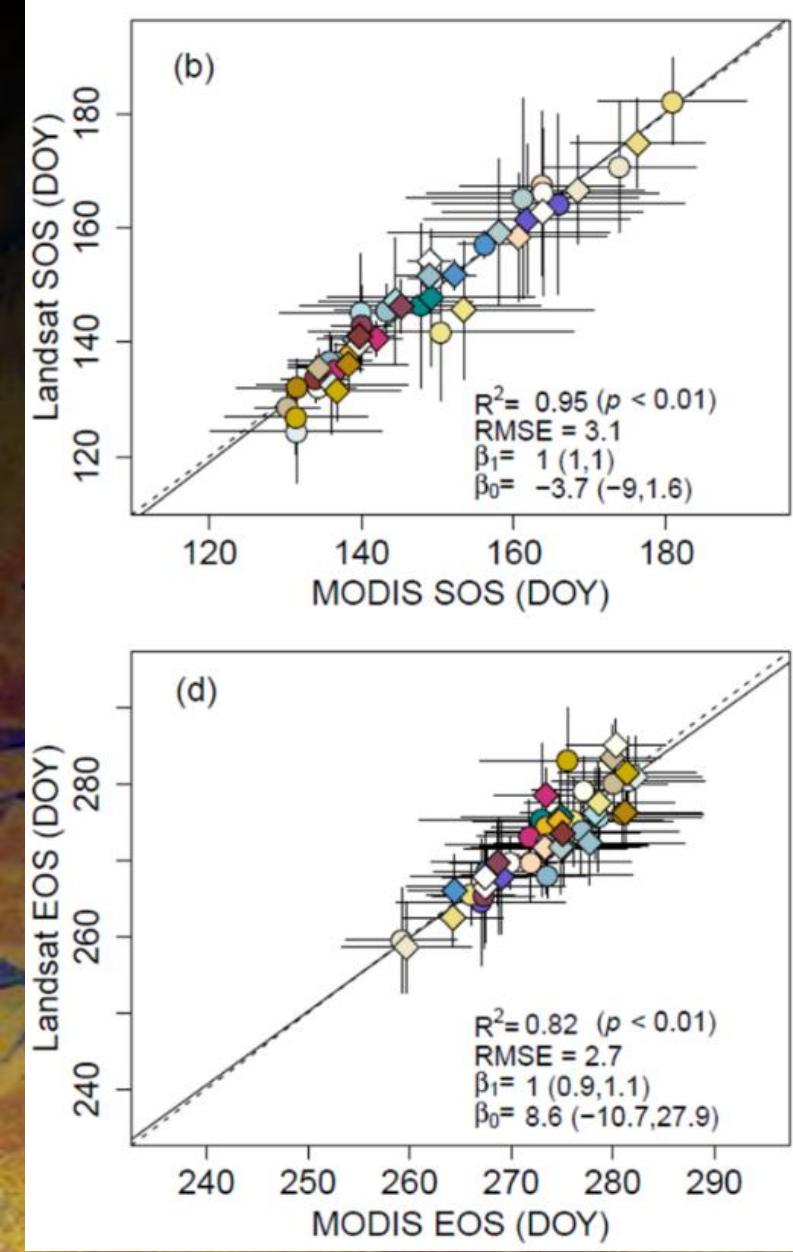
Key Points:
 • EVI2 time series from VIIRS and MODIS were similar with unsystematic discrepancies, but VIIRS EVI2 was systematically higher than AVHRR EVI2

Comparisons of global land surface seasonality and phenology derived from AVHRR, MODIS, and VIIRS data

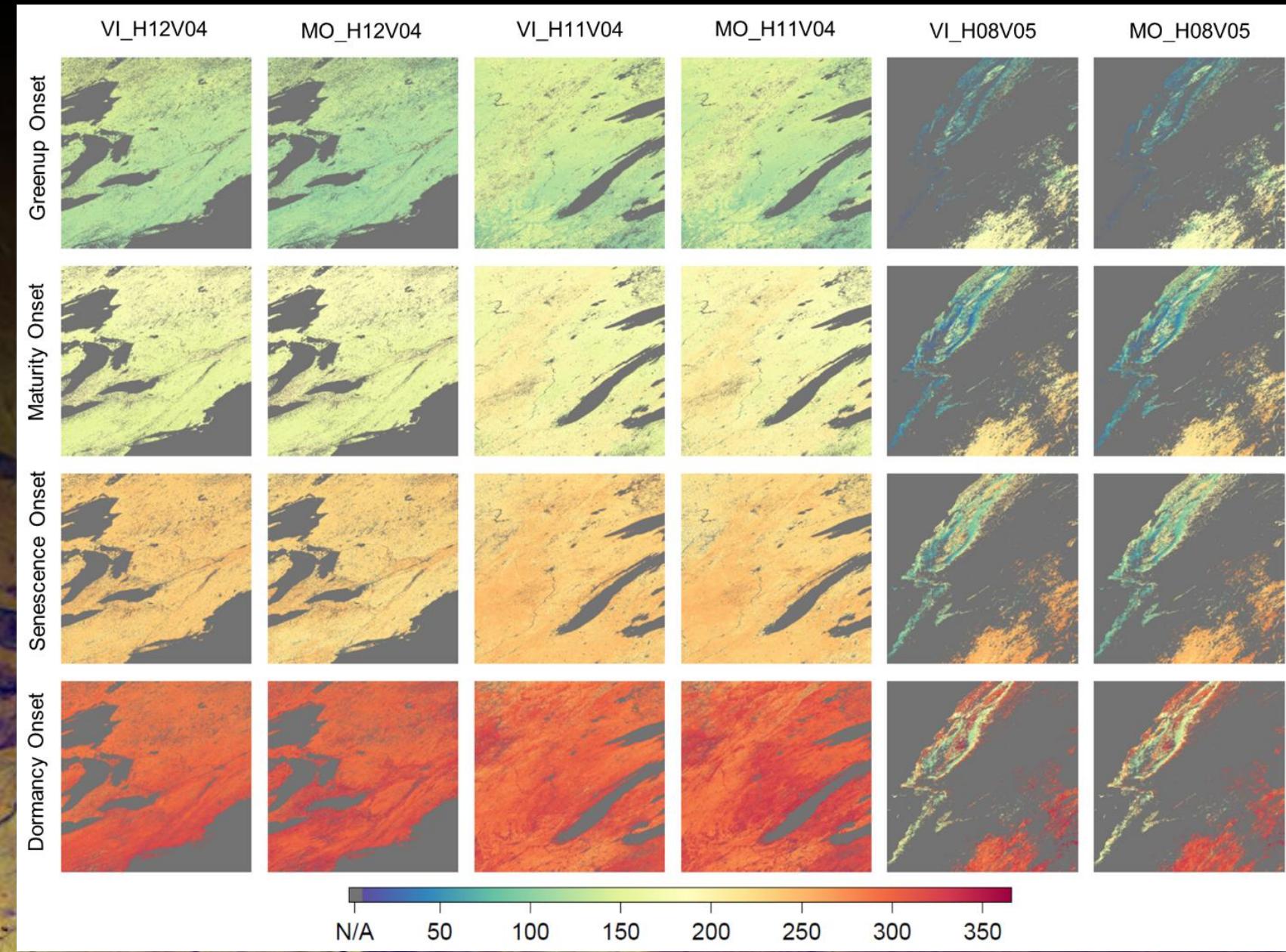
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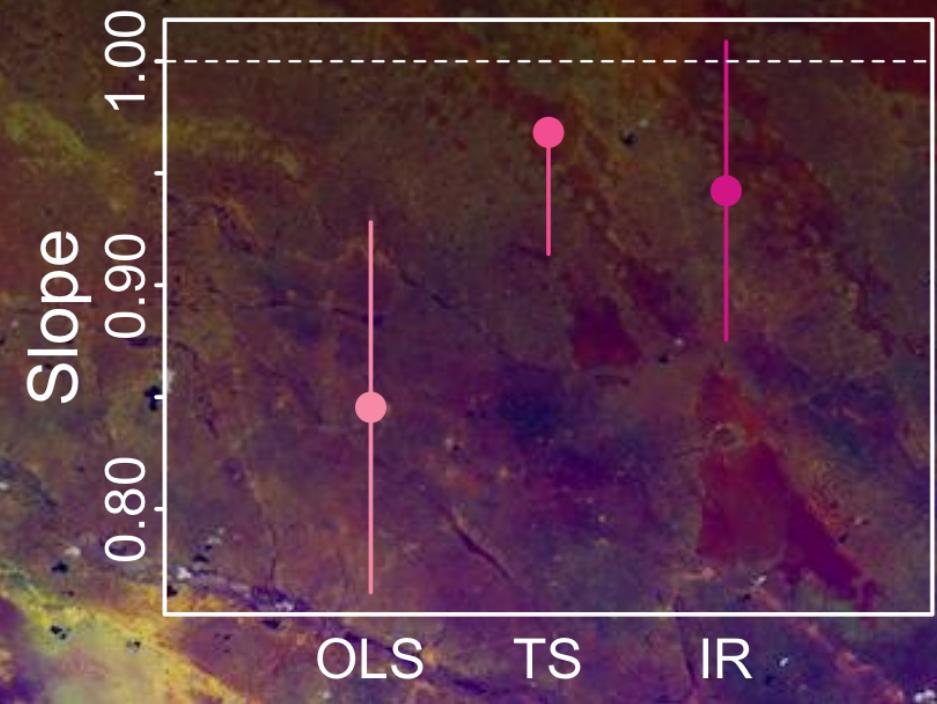
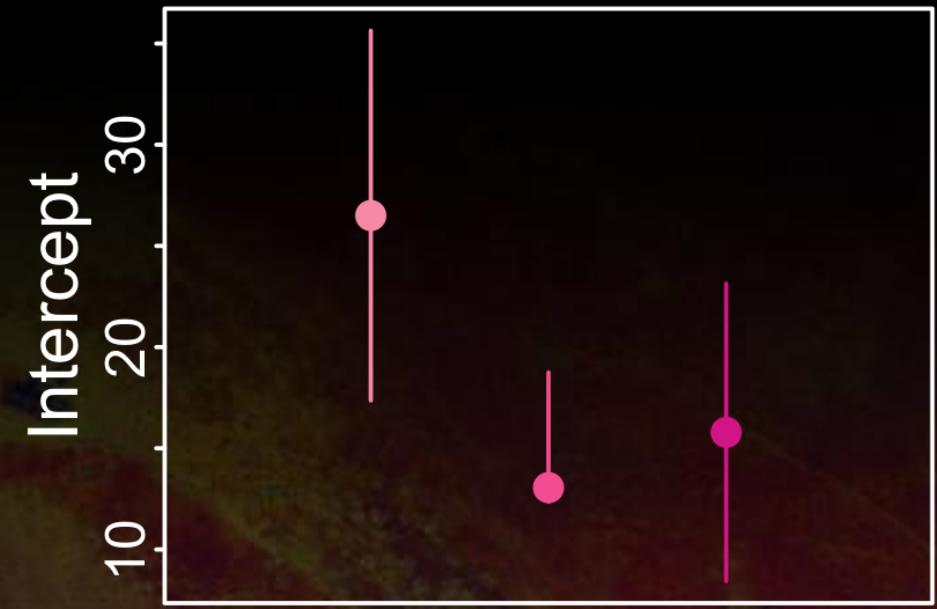
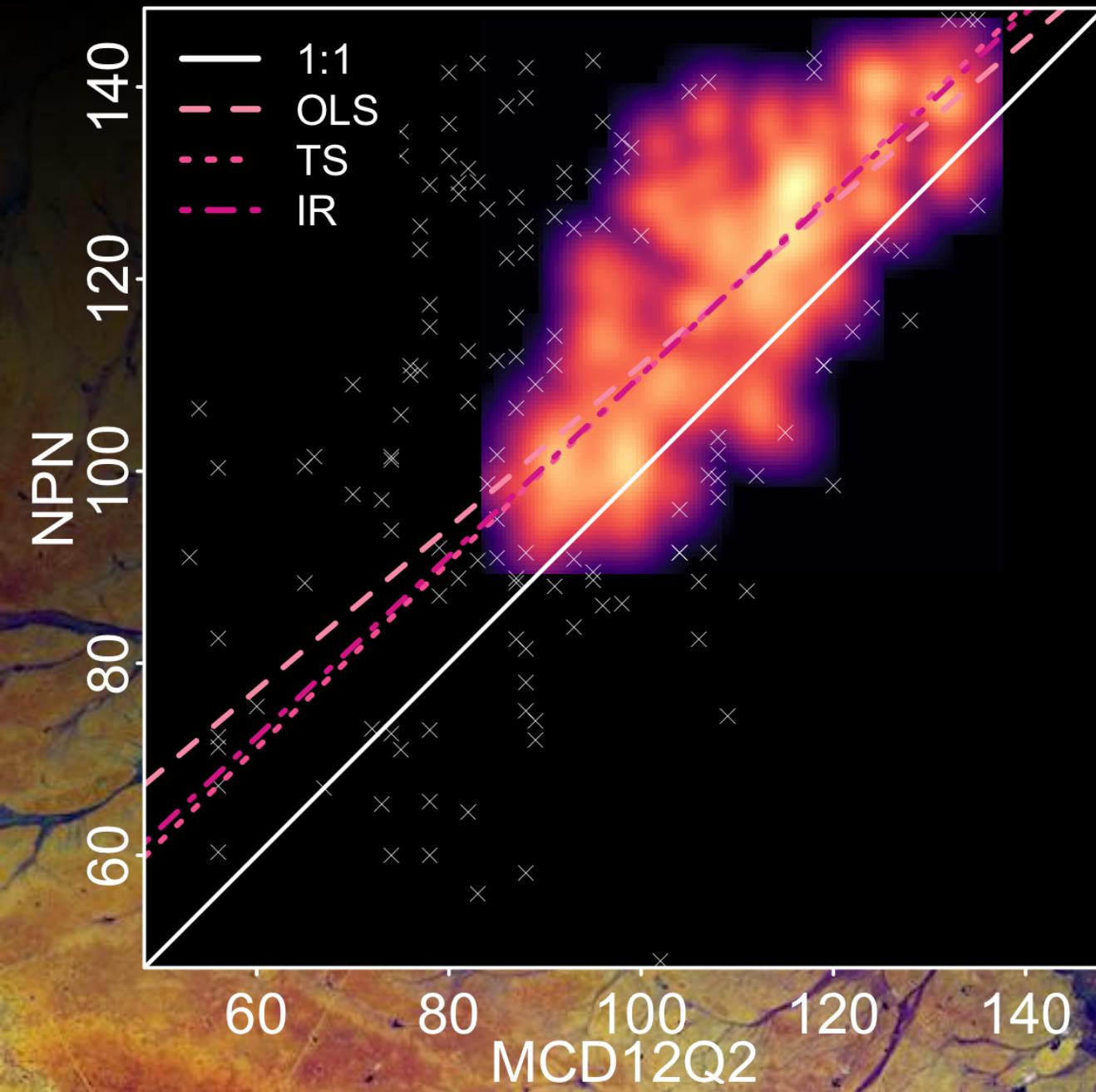
Melaas, et al 2016



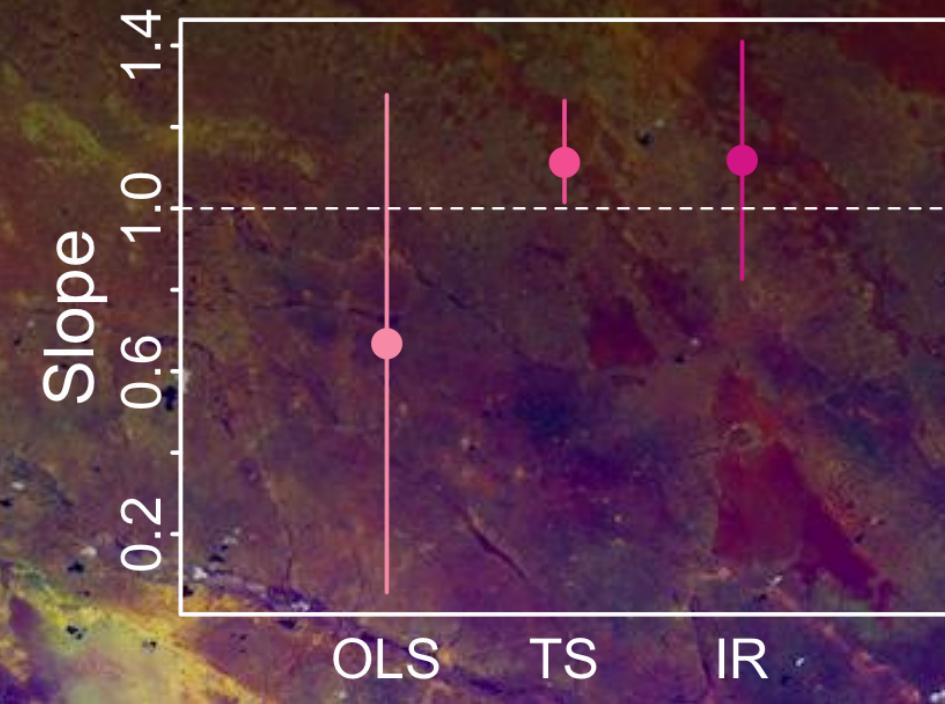
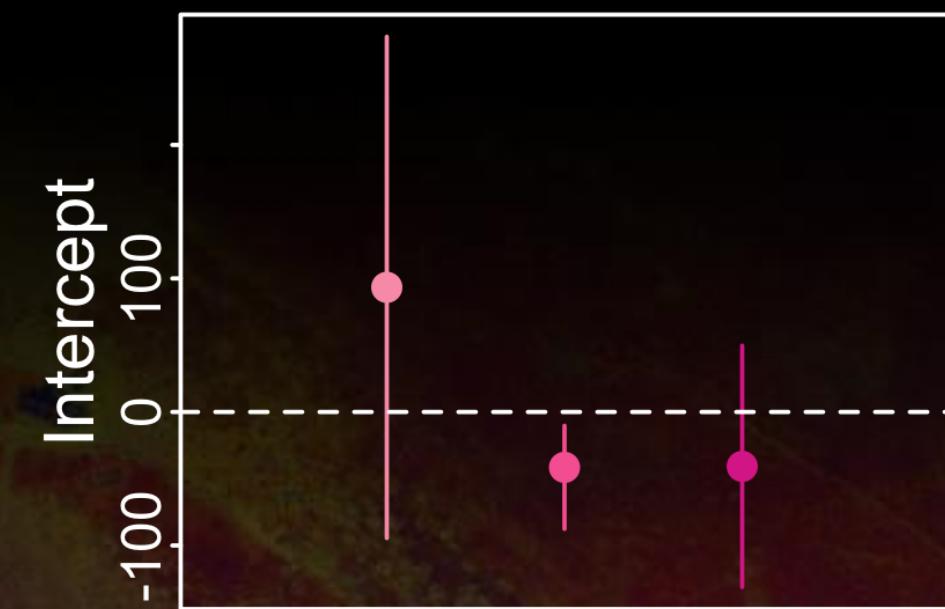
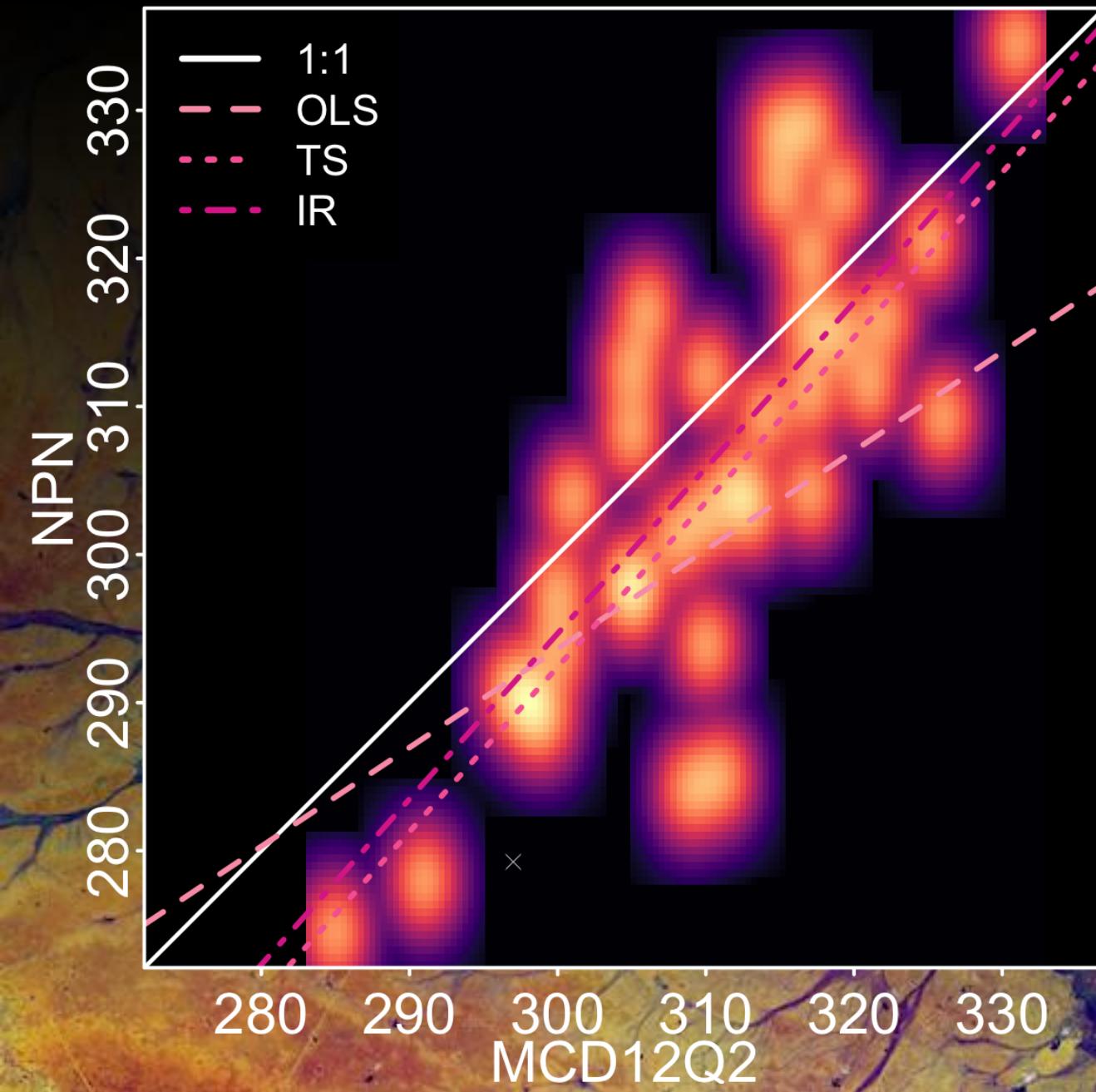
Moon, et al 2018



Leaves~Gup (MCD>50, NPN<183)



All leaves fallen~Dor (NPN>200; omit 10%)

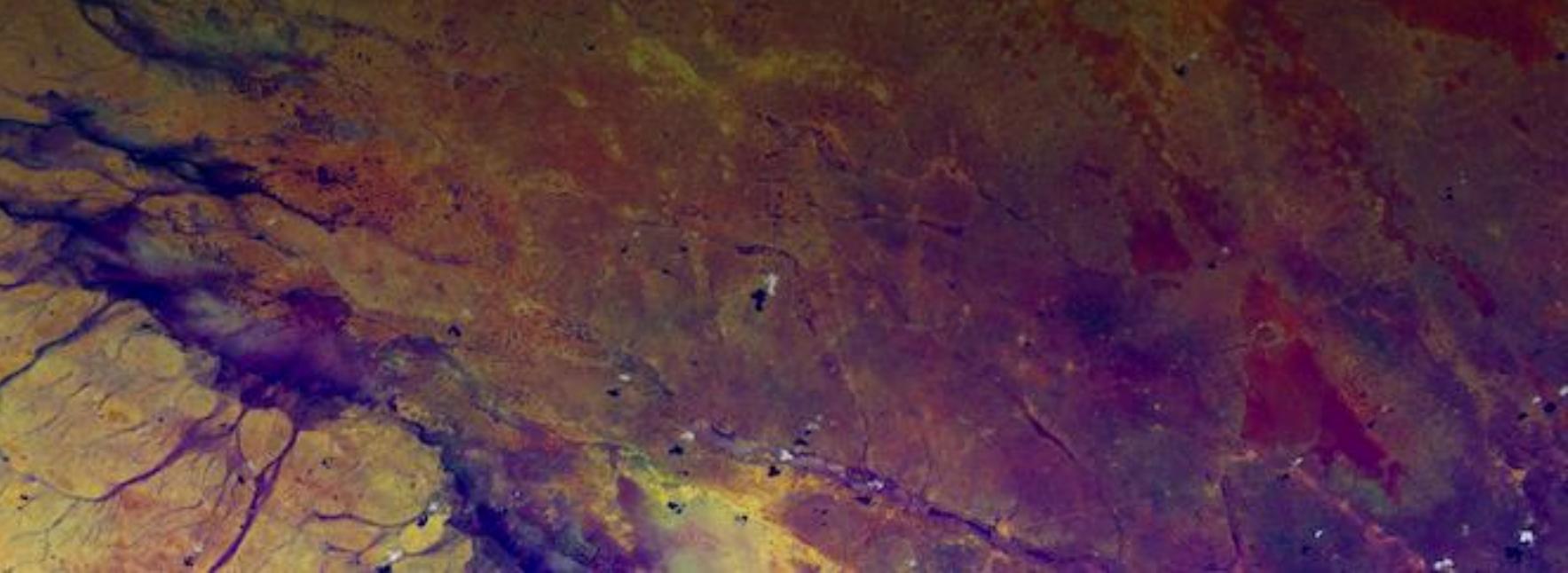


Phenology Validation Stage

Validation Stage - Definition and Current State		Variable
0	No validation. Product accuracy has not been assessed. Product considered beta.	
1	Product accuracy is assessed from a small (typically < 30) set of locations and time periods by comparison with in-situ or other suitable reference data.	Snow Fire Radiative Power
2	Product accuracy is estimated over a significant set of locations and time periods by comparison with reference in situ or other suitable reference data. Spatial and temporal consistency of the product and consistency with similar products has been evaluated over globally representative locations and time periods. Results are published in the peer-reviewed literature.	fAPAR Phenology Burned Area Land Cover LAI
3	Uncertainties in the product and its associated structure are well quantified from comparison with reference in situ or other suitable reference data. Uncertainties are characterized in a statistically rigorous way over multiple locations and time periods representing global conditions. Spatial and temporal consistency of the product and with similar products has been evaluated over globally representative locations and periods. Results are published in the peer-reviewed literature.	Vegetation Indicies Albedo Soil Moisture LST & Emissivity Phenology
4	Validation results for stage 3 are systematically updated when new product versions are released and as the time-series expands.	Active Fire

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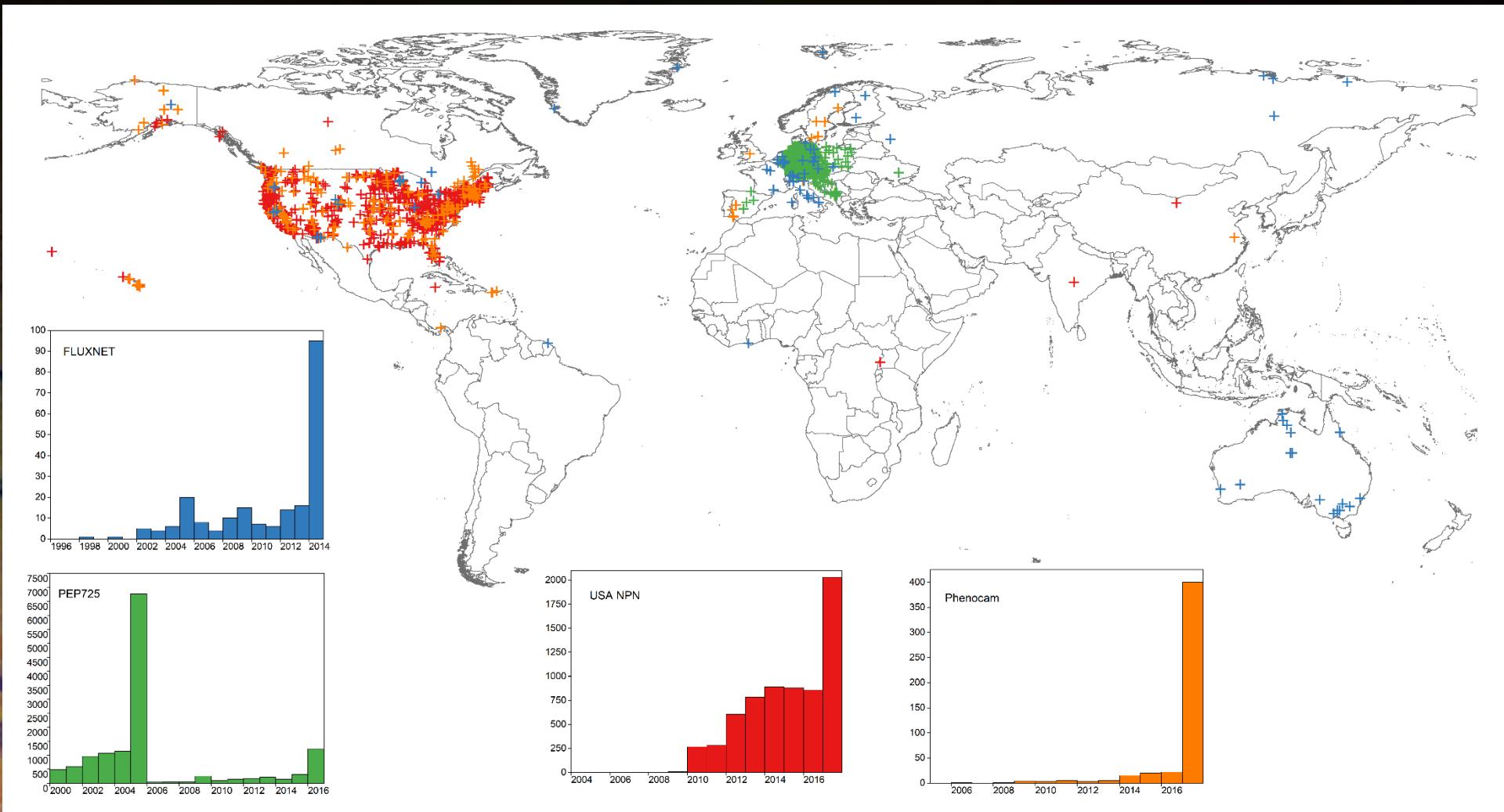
- **Type A sites:** detailed spatial and temporal ground observations incorporating multiple *resolution scaling* opportunities
- **Type B sites:** PhenoCams and citizen science observations

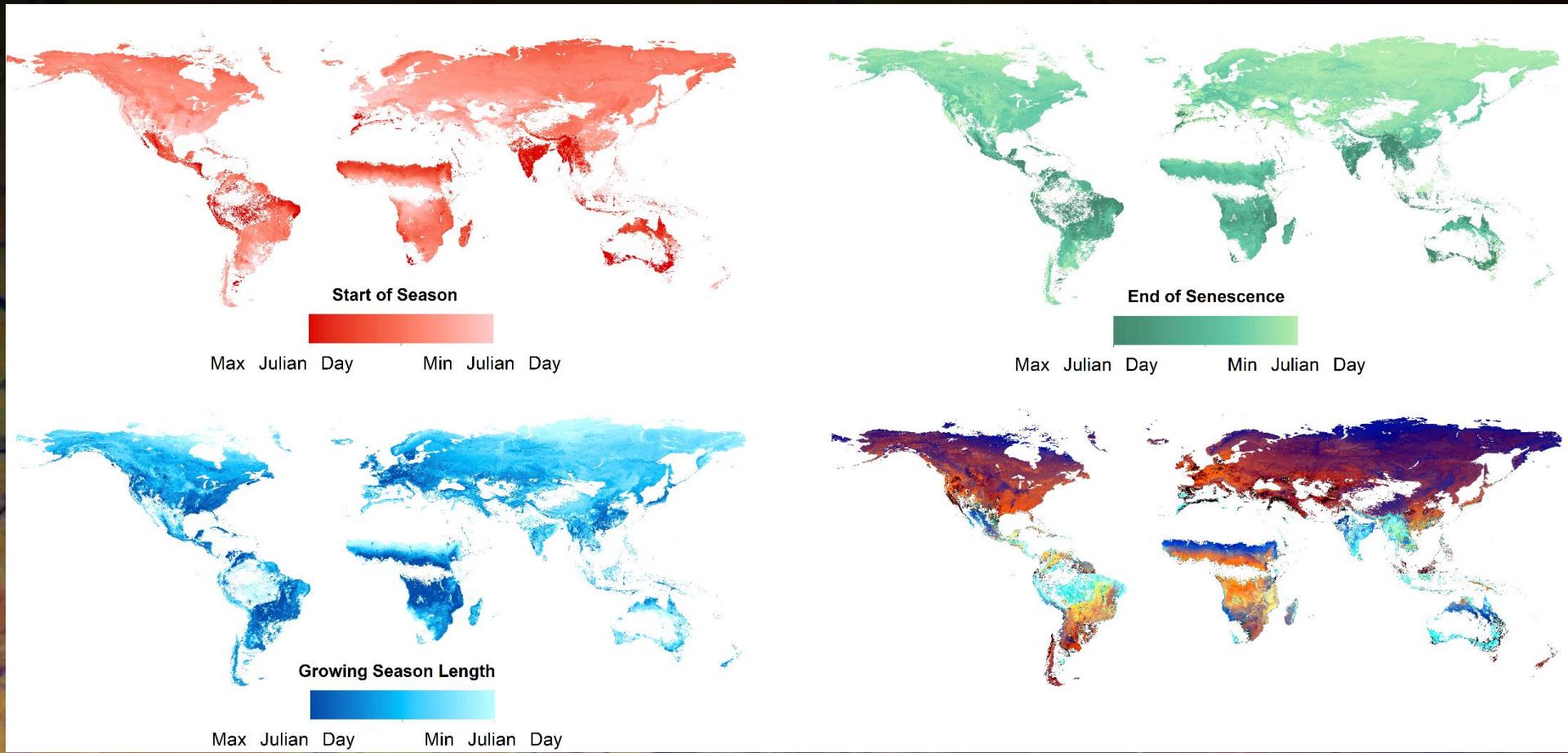


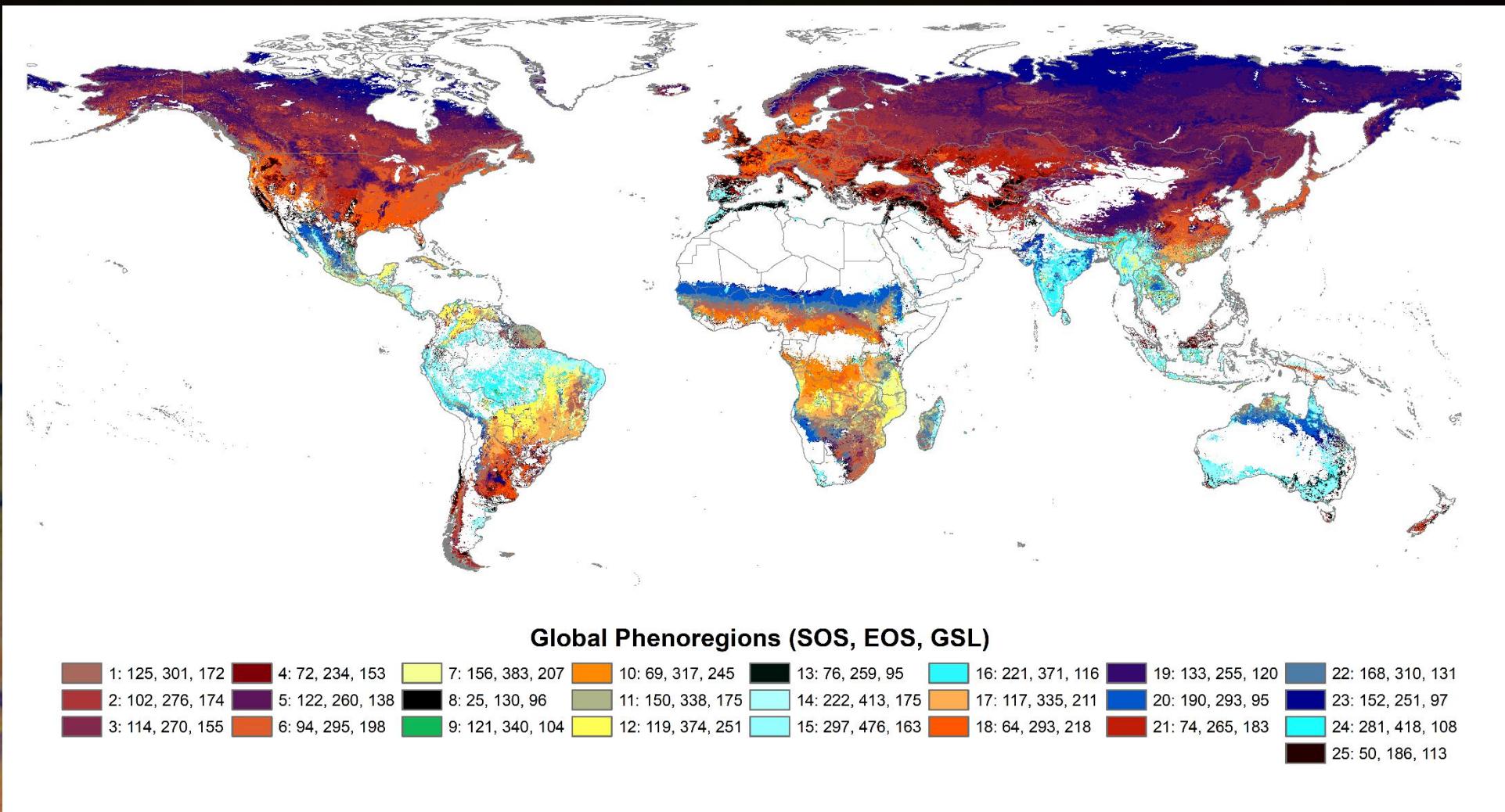
Future Activities: Next 2 Years

- Ongoing assessment/papers/site establishment
 - Characterize site representativeness
- Communication: Newsletter (next 3 months)
- Best practices documentation
 - Review of methods
 - 3rd international workshop
- Coordination
 - GEOBON-EBV integration/adoption
 - other LPV groups e.g. VI, biophysical etc.









Challenges

“Validation” vs “Assessment” Need for Type A sites

